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# S. J. RES. 61

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 14, 1963

Mr. McCARTHY introduced the following joint resolution; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

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## JOINT RESOLUTION

To establish a Joint Committee on Foreign Information and Intelligence.

- 1     *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
- 2     *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
- 3     That (a) there is hereby established a joint congressional
- 4     committee to be known as the Joint Committee on Foreign
- 5     Information and Intelligence (referred to in this joint res-
- 6     olution as the "joint committee"), to be composed of seven
- 7     Members of the Senate appointed by the President of the

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1 Senate, and seven Members of the House of Representatives  
2 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.  
3 In each instance not more than four members shall be ap-  
4 pointed from the same political party.

5 (b) Vacancies in the membership of the joint com-  
6 mittee shall not affect the power of the remaining members  
7 to execute the functions of the joint committee, and shall be  
8 filled in the same manner as in the case of the original  
9 selection.

10 (c) The joint committee shall select a chairman and  
11 a vice chairman from among its members at the beginning of  
12 each Congress. The vice chairman shall act in the place  
13 and stead of the chairman in the absence of the chairman.  
14 The chairmanship shall alternate between the Senate and  
15 the House of Representatives with each Congress, and the  
16 chairman shall be selected by the members of the joint  
17 committee from the House entitled to the chairmanship.  
18 The vice chairman shall be selected in the same manner as  
19 the chairman, except that the vice chairman shall be selected  
20 by the members of the joint committee from the House not  
21 entitled to the chairmanship.

22 (d) The joint committee may appoint and fix the com-  
23 pensation of such experts, consultants, technicians, and cleri-  
24 cal and stenographic assistants as it deems necessary and  
25 advisable.

1 (e) The joint committee is authorized to utilize the  
2 services, information, facilities, and personnel of the execu-  
3 tive departments and establishments of the United States.

4 (f) The joint committee is authorized to classify infor-  
5 mation originating within the joint committee in accordance  
6 with standards used generally by the executive branch of the  
7 Federal Government for classifying restricted data or defense  
8 information.

9 (g) The joint committee shall keep a complete record  
10 of all committee actions, including a record of the votes on  
11 any question on which a record vote is demanded. All  
12 committee records, data, charts, and files shall be the prop-  
13 erty of the joint committee and shall be kept in the offices of  
14 the joint committee, or such other places as the joint com-  
15 mittee may direct, under such security safeguards as the joint  
16 committee shall determine to be in the interest of national  
17 security.

18 (h) The joint committee may make such rules respect-  
19 ing its organization and procedures as it deems advisable,  
20 but no measure or recommendation shall be reported from  
21 the joint committee unless a majority of the members thereof  
22 assent.

23 SEC. 2. (a) The joint committee shall make continuing  
24 studies of—

1           (1) the activities of each information and intelli-  
2           gence agency of the United States,

3           (2) the problems relating to the foreign informa-  
4           tion and intelligence programs, and

5           (3) the problems relating to the gathering of in-  
6           formation and intelligence affecting the national  
7           security, and its coordination and utilization by the  
8           various departments, agencies, and instrumentalities of  
9           the United States.

10          (b) Each information and intelligence agency of the  
11          United States shall give to the joint committee such in-  
12          formation regarding its activities as the committee may  
13          require.

14          (c) As used in this joint resolution, the term "in-  
15          formation and intelligence agency of the United States"  
16          means the United States Information Agency, the Central  
17          Intelligence Agency, and any unit within any of the execu-  
18          tive departments or agencies of the United States conduct-  
19          ing foreign information or intelligence activities (including  
20          any unit within the Departments of State, Defense, Army,  
21          Navy, and Air Force, but not including the domestic opera-  
22          tion of the Federal Bureau of Investigation).

23          SEC. 3. All bills, resolutions, and other matters in the  
24          Senate and House of Representatives relating primarily to  
25          any information and intelligence agency of the United States

1 or its activities shall be referred to the joint committee. The  
2 members of the joint committee who are Members of the  
3 Senate shall, from time to time, report to the Senate, and  
4 the members of the joint committee who are Members of the  
5 House of Representatives shall, from time to time, report to  
6 the House, by bill or otherwise, their recommendations with  
7 respect to matters within the jurisdiction of their respective  
8 Houses which are—

9 (1) referred to the joint committee, or

10 (2) otherwise within the jurisdiction of the joint  
11 committee.

12 (b) In carrying out its duties under this joint resolu-  
13 tion, the joint committee, or any duly authorized subcom-  
14 mittee thereof, is authorized to hold such hearings, to sit  
15 and act at such times and places, to require, by subpoena  
16 or otherwise, the attendance of such witnesses and the pro-  
17 duction of such books, papers, and documents, to administer  
18 such oaths, to take such testimony, to procure such print-  
19 ing and binding, and to make such expenditures as it deems  
20 advisable. Subpenas may be issued over the signature of  
21 the chairman of the joint committee, or by any member  
22 designated by him, or by the joint committee, and may be  
23 served by any person designated by such chairman or  
24 member.

25 SEC. 4. The expenses of the joint committee shall be

1 paid from the contingent fund of the Senate from funds ap-  
2 propriated for the joint committee upon vouchers approved  
3 by the chairman. The cost of stenographic services in re-  
4 porting such hearings as the joint committee may hold shall  
5 be paid in accordance with the established rules of the Sen-  
6 ate. Members of the joint committee, and its employees and  
7 consultants, while traveling on official business for the joint  
8 committee, may receive either the per diem allowance au-  
9 thorized to be paid to Members of Congress or its employees,  
10 or their actual and necessary expenses if an itemized state-  
11 ment of such expenses is attached to the voucher.

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